Export of value based herbal formulations

3375. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact by way of amendment to Public Notice 47(PN)92-97 during March,1996 negative restrictions have been imposed on exporters of value added herbal formulations to "Produce Certificate of Cultivation"in respect of 56 plants;

(b) if so, whether any study had been made on the quantity of each restricted herb used in the export of value added formulation; and

(c) since only a small quantity of the 56 restricted herbs are presently being exported in the value added herbal formulation, whether Government would consider excluding these herbal formulation from out of the 56 plant products restricted by above mentioned Public Notice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The amendment of the said Public Notice No. 47 dated 30th March, 1994 has been effected on the recommendations of M/o Environment & Forests in the interest of the conservation of certain endangered plant species. In the case of plants and plant portions, derivatives and extracts including value added herbal formulations of the species obtained from the wild which are, however, prohibited for exports, a dispensation upto 31st December, 1996 has been given to the exporters of value added herbal formulations using material obtained from the wild to export their products without any condition in respect of 10 specific species named by Basic chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council (CHEMEXCIL). CHEMEXCIL has also subsequently represented for exclusion of certain items from the purview of this Notice which is being examined in consultation with M/o Environment & Forests.

Voluntary organisations working in Andhra Pradesh

3376. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of voluntary organisations working in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the financial assitance provided to these voluntary organisations by Central Government during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Central Government have received any complaints against any of these organisations; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (b) Details of Voluntary Organisations and amounts of grants released during the last three years are at Annexure *[See Appendix 178, Annexure No. 80]*

(c) and (d) Yes Sir. Complaints have been received against some organisations and accordingly after due enquiry, financial assistance has been stopped. Details of such organisations are at Statement.

Statement

S. No.	Name of the Organisation	Remarks
1.	Chirala Taluka Harijana Sangha, Chirala, Distt.: Prakasam	Mis-utilisation of Funds
2.	Vellamma Weaker Section Mahila Mandali, Distt: Guntur	Black listed by CAPART
3.	Pragathi Youth Sangam, Distt: Guntur	---do---
4.	Sri Venkateswara Mahila Mandali, Distt: Guntur	---do---
5.	Indira Priyadarsini Mahila Mandali, Distt: Guntur	---do---
6.	Kasturibai Mahila Mandali, Distt: Guntur	---do---

7. Sri Subramanyeswari Mahila Mandali, Distt: Guntur ---do---

Medium and large scale industries in Uttar Pradesh

3377. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the necessity of setting up and developing medium and large scale industries in Uttar Pradesh in near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) It is primarily the responsibility of the State Government to create congenial atmosphere and providing infrastructural facilities for industrial development of the State. 2573 industrial investment intentions were recorded for Uttar Pradesh in the delicensed sector and 249 letters of intent were granted for setting up industries in the licensable sector during August, 1991 to July, 1996.

Steps for revival of sick units

3378. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are yet to take concrete steps for actual revival of sick units under their administrative jurisdiction;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government for the sick companies have not also appointed consultants or independent group of people so far to examine the exact nature and steps to be taken for the ultimate revival of the sick PSUs;

(c) whether delay is making the sick units more sick day by day; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (d) No, Sir. 60 sick industrial public sector units have been referred to Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) for formulation of revival/rehabilitation scheme. The BIFR appoints Operating Agency for preparation of revival package of sick Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs). It has so far approved revival package in 14 PSUs which are under implementation. In case of non-industrial sick PSUs the management are taking appropriate revival measures in consultation with the Administrative Ministry/Department, financial institutions and some-times with the help of consultants appointed for the purpose.

NGO's in Andhra Pradesh

3379. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of GNO's in Andhra Pradesh receiving grants from the Union Welfare Ministry with district-wise details;

(b) whether any case of misappropriation of funds has been reported;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) measures adopted to ensure proper utilisation of grants?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) Statement as Statement-I is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below)

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) A statement as Statement-II is laid on the Table of House. (*See* below).

(d) Utilisation of grants is ensured through periodic inspection report of State Govt./UT Administration and annual audited accounts. Further Govt., of India officials do the inspection as on when required, in order to ensure the proper utilisation of grants.